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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF TERRORIST AND RELATED ACTIVITIES

(TWO MONTHS)

1. THIS REPORT GIVES A SUMMARY OF POLITICAL VIOLENCE AND TERRORIST ACTIVITIES THAT HAVE COME TO OUR ATTENTION DURING THE MONTHS OF JULY AND AUGUST.

2. JULY 3: QUILMES POLICE PRECINCT WAS ATTACKED. THE ATTACKERS WERE REPELLED AND FLED. NO REPORTED INJURIES. AT KILOMETER 16, BETWEEN V. BALLESTER AND MALAVER STATIONS OF THE MITRE RR LINE, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE, LEAFLET BOMB WAS DETONATED. THE LEAFLETS WERE SIGNED BY THE RR INTERNAL COMMISSION, CGT-R, (GENERAL CONFEDERATION OF LABOR - RESISTANCE, A MONTONERO ACRONYM. JULY 3: POLICE FORCES IN BERNAL OBSERVED 5 PERSONS,

3 MALES AND 2 FEMALES, ALL WITH WEAPONS, SPRAY-PAINTING WALLS. THE INSCRIPTION ON THE WALLS READ: "MONTONERO WEAPONS SUPPORT THE PEOPLE'S FIGHT." ALL FIVE PERSONS ESCAPED THE AREA. A BOMB EXPLOADED AT SOCIEDAD ANONIMA DEL OESTA FORD CAR

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AGENCY, LOCATED AT RIVADAVIA AND YATAY STS., CAUSING SLIGHT DAMAGE.

JULY 4: EXPLOSION WAS DETONATED AT THE HOUSE OF COMISARIO JOSE ASTRADA, CHIEF OF THE JUDICIAL SECTION OF CORDOBA POLICE. THE BOMB CAUSED CONSIDERABLE MATERIAL DAMAGE. ON THE SAME DATE, ERP MEMBERS PLACED A LEAFLET

BOMB IN A BUS TERMINAL IN CORDOBA PROVINCE. LEAFLETS WERE ENTITLED: "SOLDIERS, THE TARGET OF THE GUERRILLA IS THE OFFICER." LEAFLET BOMBS SIGNED BY A.U.S. (SOCIALIST UNIVERSITY GROUP) WERE PLACED IN THE RESTROOMS IN THE UNIVERSITY COMPLEX OF THE COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE.

JULY 5: 10-12 ARMED PERSONS BROKE INTO A GARAGE IN THE FEDERAL CAPITAL AND STOLE 5 CARS AFTER SUBDUING THE CARE-TAKER. NOTE: IN THE PAST SECURITY FORCES HAVE OPERATED IN THIS MANNER TO OBTAIN VEHICLES FOR COVERT OPERATIONS. ON THE SAME DATE, THERE WAS A SHOOTOUT BETWEEN SUBVERSIVE FORCES AND THE GENDARMERIA NACIONAL IN CHARGE OF THE CUSTODIA OF THE MILITARY PRISON AT COMPO DE LA RIVERA IN CORDOBA. THE SUBVERSIVES ESCAPED. NO REPORTED INJURIES.

JULY 13: POLICE AND MILITARY FORCES IN AN OPERATION IN WILDE, GREATER BUENOS AIRES, EXCHANGED FIRE WITH UN-IDENTIFIED INDIVIDUALS. TWO OF THE INDIVIDUALS WERE KILLED AND A BROWNING PISTOL WHICH BELONGED TO A POLICE-MAN OF THE DISTRICT WAS FOUND. ON THE SAME DATE, THE BOMB SQUAD REMOVED AN EXPLOSIVE FOUND ON THE TRACKS OF THE MITRE LINE NEAR URQUIZA STATION, FEDERAL CAPITAL. MILITARY AND POLICE FORCES SET UP A CHECK POINT NEAR ETCHEVERRY AND NO. 2 HIGHWAY CROSSING. A CAR ATTEMPTED TO AVOID THE CHECKPOINT AND BECAME INVOLVED IN A SHOOT-OUT WITH SECURITY FORCES RESULTING IN THE DEATH OF ONE WOMAN AND 3 MEN. WEAPONS AND SUBVERSIVE MATERIAL WERE FOUND IN THE CAR.

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IN QUILMES, GREATER BUENOS AIRES, 4 ARMED PERSONS WENT INTO A FURNITURE FACTORY, THREATENED ONE OF THE EMPLOYEES, PUT POLITICAL POSTERS ON THE WALL AND THEN ESCAPED. PERSONS CLAIMED TO BE MONTONEROS.

UNKNOWN INDIVIDUALS DRIVING A PEUGEOT 504 SHOT AT THE POLICE STATION AT EQUADOR AND PIENOVISTAS IN AVELLANEDA, GREATER BUENOS AIRES. PERSONS ESCAPED. NO INJURIES.

UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUALS SHOT AT A CITROEN CAR AGENCY AT CABRERA AND JUAN B. JUSTO STS., DAMAGING THE FRONT OF THE BUILDING. THEY THEN DISTRIBUTED MONTONERO LEAFLETS AND ESCAPED.

AN EXPLOSIVE WAS PLACED AT A HOUSE BELONGING TO OLGA PEREZ DE LONGO, LOCATED AT BARANDSEN AND PRINGLES STS., VILLA ARIZA, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE. SUBJECT DOES NOT BELONG TO ANY KNOWN POLITICAL GROUP.

JULY 15: MONTONERO LEAFLETS ENTITLED "WAR COMMUNIQUE" SIGNED BY RICARDO DAPAG COMBAT PLATOON OF THE MONTONEROS WERE FOUND AT LANUS, GREATER BUENOS AIRES. LEAFLETS CREDITED THE MONTONEROS FOR HAVING CARRIED OUT ACTION AGAINST THE FLORENCIO VARELA PEUGEOT FACTORY ALSO DISTRIBUTED WERE OTHER LEAFLETS CONCERNING THE 1978 SOCCER COMPETITION.

JULY 16: DURING THE DEMOLITION OF THE BELLA VISTA HOTEL
IN THE CITY OF MAR DEL PLATA, PROVINCE OF BUENOS AIRES,
PLAYA DE LOS INGLESSES, A PLASTIC BAG WAS FOUND CONTAINING
EXPLOSIVES, WEAPONS AND MILITARY UNIFORMS.

JULY 18: A GROUP OF PERSONS DRIVING A BLACK VEHICLE SHOT
AT THE IKA AGENCY LOCATED IN THE FEDERAL CAPITAL. THEY
ALSO DISTRIBUTED MONTONERO LEAFLETS.

JULY 20: TWO MEMBERS OF THE BANFIELD POLICE PRECINCT
WERE IN A TRUCK PARKED AT ALLEN AND ROCA STS. AND WERE
ATTACKED BY PERSONS IN TWO VEHICLES ARMED WITH MACHINEGUNS.
CPL. OLIVAR WAS KILLED AND POLICE OFFICER CHAMORRO WAS
WOUNDED.

ON THE SAME DATE, PERSONS DRIVING A FORD FALCON AND A 400
CHEVROLET OPENED FIRE AT THE LAVALLOL POLICE PRECINCT,
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BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE.
MEMBERS OF THE 601 INTELLIGENCE BN WERE ENGAGED IN A
SHOOTOUT OUTSIDE THE CITY OF MAR DEL PLATA. SUBVERSIVES,
ONE OF THEM A WOMAN, WERE KILLED IN THE SHOOTOUT. DR.

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CARLOS AURELIO BOZZI, WHO HAD BEEN KIDNAPPED ON JULY 8,
WAS FOUND ALIVE INSIDE THE TRUNK OF THEIR VEHICLE WHICH
HAD BEEN STOLEN FROM DR. OSCAR CENTENO. DR. CENTENO HAD
ALSO BEEN KIDNAPPED AND HIS BODY FOUND ON A LOCAL ROAD

IN THE AREA.

ON THE SAME DATE, THE NAKED BODY OF A MALE WITH HIS HANDS CUT OFF WAS FOUND AT CUARTEL 3 AND CAMINO GUTIERREZ, AT MARCOS PAZ, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE.

PERSONS DRIVING A WHITE PEUGEOT THREW LEAFLETS ENTITLED "MURDEROUS MILITARY MEN" SIGNED BY THE REVOLUTIONARY WORKERS GROUP, AT CORRIENTES AND PUEYRREDON STS., FEDERAL CAPITAL. A PACKAGE CONTAINING 200 LEAFLETS OF THE PCR WAS FOUND IN THE BATHROOMS OF A REPAIR SHOP OF THE MITRE RR LINE IN SANTA FE PROVINCE.

FOUR EXTREMISTS ENTERED THE ITALIANO HOSPITAL, FEDERAL CAPITAL, AND DISTRIBUTED MONTONERO PROPAGANDA. WHEN DEPARTING, THEY TOOK THE HOSPITAL LOG BOOK AND LEFT A DEACTIVATED SFM HAND GRENADE.

JULY 21: SUBVERSIVES UNSUCCESSFULLY ATTACKED THE 3RD LOMAS DE ZAMORA PRECINCT. FIVE MEN AND A WOMAN WERE KILLED AS WELL AS POLICE INSPECTOR JORGE SALERNO. POLICE RECOVERED A FORD FALCON, WEAPONS AND MONTONERO LEAFLETS. AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WAS DETONATED AT 3251 NAVARRO ST.,

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FEDERAL CAPITAL.

TWO PERSONS STOLE POLICE WEAPON FROM DEP. INSPECTOR JUAN CARLOS BERGARA OF THE PROVINCIAL POLICE, BUENOS AIRES. OCCUPANTS OF A 504 PEUGEOT OPENED FIRE AT THE IKA RENAULT AGENCY, LOCATED AT TUCUMAN AND BULNES STS., FEDERAL CAPITAL. THE WEAPONS USED WERE A FAL 7.62 MM. AND 12 GAUGE SHOTGUN. THEY ALSO THREW LEAFLETS ENTITLED "EVITA MONTONERO."

JULY 22: AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WAS DETONATED AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE REGIONAL SUGAR CENTER, SAN MIGUEL DE TUCUMAN, PROVINCE OF TUCUMAN. THE CARETAKER, MIGUEL BERENGUER, WAS WOUNDED.

POLICE OFFICERS FROM THE 27TH POLICE PRECINCT ATTEMPTED TO IDENTIFY SUSPICIOUS PERSON AND WERE SHOT. THE SUSPECT WAS LOCATED AGAIN ON LUIS VIALE ST. AND HAD IN HIS POSSESSION A HAND GRENADE. WHEN CONFRONTED BY THE SECURITY FORCES HE TOOK A PILL, PRESUMABLY CYANIDE, AND DIED SHORTLY THEREAFTER. HE WAS IDENTIFIED AS JORGE NESTOR LIVIO. NO FURTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE.

JULY 24: AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WAS THROWN AT THE 2ND ROSARIO POLICE STATION, PROVINCE SANTA FE. THE DEVICE WAS THROWN FROM A PASSING CAR. ONLY MATERIAL DAMAGE WAS DONE TO THE POLICE PRECINCT. AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WAS THROWN FROM A PASSING TRAIN INTO THE PREMISES OF THE CANINE DEPT. OF THE FEDERAL POLICE. HOWEVER, THE EXPLOSIVE DID NOT DETONATE.

JULY 25: MILITARY AND POLICE FORCES CARRIED OUT AN ANTI-SUBVERSIVE OPERATION ON THE 3RD FLOOR OF A BUILDING LOCATED AT 3689/43 RIVADAVIA AVE, FEDERAL CAPITAL, WHERE A SUBVERSIVE GROUP WAS MEETING. ONE OF THE SUBVERSIVES,

RUBEN ADRIAN BENCHOAN, WAS KILLED. HIS SISTER, ESTHER DEVORA, WAS APPREHENDED AND A .38 REVOLVER AND SEVERAL GRENADES WERE CONFISCATED.
A GROUP OF ARMED SUBVERSIVES ATTEMPTED TO TAKE OVER THE
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8TH ALVEAR SUB-PRECINCT POLICE STATION IN SANTA FE. ONE FEMALE AND 2 MALE SUBVERSIVES WERE KILLED IN THE RESULTING SHOOTOUT. THE REST FLED IN A 504 PEUGEOT. POLICE CONFISCATED 4 GRENADES CURRENTLY BEING USED BY THE MONTONEROS AND SEVERAL OTHER EXPLOSIVE DEVICES WHICH HAD NOT DETONATED. POLICE BOMB SQUAD DEACTIVATED A SUSPICIOUS PARCEL WHICH WAS LOCATED AT AVE. DEL TRABAJO AND BARELA, FEDERAL CAPITAL.
JULY 26: THE HOUSE OF SANTA FE POLICE SGT. JESUS RAMOS WAS ATTACKED BY ASSAILANTS. THE ATTACKERS ESCAPED IN A 1500 FIAT. THEIR IDENTITY IS UNKNOWN.

RAILWAY SERVICE ON THE MITRE RR LINE BETWEEN BECCAR AND SAN ISIDRO STATIONS, GREATER BUENOS AIRES, WAS TEMPORARILY DISCONTINUED DUE TO SABOTAGE ON THE RR TRACKS.

A LEAFLET BOMB WAS SET OFF IN FRONT OF THE HOUSE OF CPL. ORLANDO TESTONI, A MEMBER OF THE 2ND REGIONAL UNIT OF THE ARGENTINE ARMY, CITY OF ROSARIO, PROVINCE OF SANTA FE.

MEMBERS OF THE 48TH POLICE PRECINCT WERE ENGAGED IN A SHOOTOUT WITH 4 TERRORISTS AT CIUDAD OCULTA SHANTY-TOWN. A WOMAN TERRORIST WAS WOUNDED AND A MAN KILLED. POLICE INSPECTOR DANIEL ROMERO WAS WOUNDED AND REMOVED TO CHURRUCA HOSPITAL.

JULY 27: A BOMB WAS SET OFF ON THE TRACKS OF THE BELGRANO RR LINE AND SERVICE WAS TEMPORARILY INTERRUPTED. AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WAS SET OFF AT 1234 URGUIZA ST, VICENTE LOPEZ (GREATER BUENOS AIRES). THIS IS THE HOME OF HERBERTO KELLER, MANAGER OF LA CONSTANCIA S.A. LIVESTOCK CO. AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WAS SET OFF AT 4636 MITRE ST., 3 OF FEBRUARY (GREATER BUENOS AIRES). THIS HOUSE BELONGS TO ALBERTO FENOGLIO, OWNER OF AN AUTO AGENCY. A BOMB WENT OFF ON THE PREMISES OF A BRANCH OF THE STATE GAS CO. IN SAN MARTIN, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE. MONTONERO LEAFLETS WERE FOUND AT THE SITE OF THIS INCIDENT.

JULY 28: AN INTIMIDATING PACKAGE WAS PLACED AT THE 9TH FLOOR OFFICES OF THE ESSO CO., 297 PUOLERA ST. THE PACKAGE CONTAINED THE LABEL "DANGER EXPLOSIVE". AN EXPLOSIVE
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DEVICE WENT OFF AT THE TRACKS OF THE BELGRANO RR LINE AT KILOMETER 18/3. A BOMB WENT OFF AT A SCHOOL AT 1424

SANTA FE ST., FEDERAL CAPITAL. THE BOMB CARRIED THE
TEXT "DANGER EXPLOSIVES, ERP." AN EXPLOSION WENT OFF
ON THE BELGRANO RR LINE AND SANTA ROSA ST AND A SIGNAL
BOX WAS DESTROYED. MONTONERO LEAFLETS WERE FOUND IN THE

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AREA. A MONTONERO LEAFLET BOMB WAS FOUND IN THE
CENTRAL ODONTOLOGY HOSPITAL, 15 MUNIZ ST., 6TH FLOOR.
BOMB DISPOSAL UNIT DETONATED THE BOMB.

JULY 29: A GROUP OF PERSONS DRIVING TWO PICKUP TRUCKS
SHOT AT THE SECURITY GUARD PERSONNEL OF THE UNIVERSITY
OF LA PLATA. IN THIS ACTION, A POLICE NON-COMMISSIONED
OFFICER OF THE PROVINCIAL POLICE WAS WOUNDED. ON THE
SAME DATE, THE 3RD LA PLATA POLICE STATION WAS ATTACKED
WITH AUTOMATIC WEAPONS. THE ATTACKERS FLED AND LEFT
MONTONERO PAMPHLETS.

JULY 30: AT THE COMPLETION OF THE BROADCASTING OF THE
MONZON-VALDEZ BOXING MATCH, A MESSAGE WAS INTERJECTED
INTO THE TRANSMISSION OF CHANNELS 2 AND 13 OF LA PLATA
STATIONS. A MESSAGE TITLED "MONTONERO LIBERATION RADIO"
WAS THEN BROADCAST.

AUGUST 1: A GARBAGE BAG BEARING THE INSCRIPTION, "DIE
VIDELA, SS CONSERVATIVE" WAS FOUND IN FRONT OF A SHOE
FACTORY LOCATED IN THE FEDERAL CAPITAL. THE PACKAGE
ALSO BORE THE INSCRIPTION, "THIS PARCEL WILL BLOW UP
AT 1250 HRS, ERP."

AUG. 2: MILITARY AND POLICE FORCES HELD A SHOOTOUT
WITH PERSONS LOCATED AT 32 AND 155 STS. IN LA PLATA.
AS A RESULT OF THE SHOOTOUT, ONE PERSON BELIEVED TO BE
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A MONTONERO WAS KILLED. IN THE RESIDENCE, SECURITY FORCES FOUND A .45 CALIBER PISTOL, MONTONERO MATERIAL, A MOTORCYCLE WITH A RADIO TRANSMITTER AND A CASSETTE OF THE PROCLAMATION WHICH HAD BEEN BROADCAST ON JULY 30. AUG. 3: MILITARY AND POLICE FORCES OPERATED AGAINST A HOUSE LOCATED AT 4793 VERA MUJICA IN THE CITY OF ROSARIO, SANTA FE PROVINCE. DURING THE ENSURING SHOOTOUT, A MONTONERO WOMAN OFFICER WAS KILLED. LEAFLETS, BIOGRAPHICAL MATERIAL AND FORGED I.D. CARDS WITH THE NAMES EDITY VIRGINIA BAZARA AND STELLA MARIS AMENDOLARE WERE FOUND.

ON THE SAME DATE, 6 PERSONS CLAIMING TO BE SUBVERSIVES SET FIRE TO BUS #29 OF THE 506 LINE IN LA PLATA. A MAN AND WOMAN ALSO SET A BUS OF THE 515 LINE ON FIRE. ON THE SAME DATE, SUBVERSIVES ALSO SET A BUS OF THE 518 LINE ON FIRE.

THREE UNIDENTIFIED PERSONS BROKE INTO A REPAIR SHOP OF THE RAPIDO ARGENTINO CO. NEAR LA PLATA, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE. THEY LOCKED UP THE PERSONNEL WORKING IN THE BUILDING, SET A LOCAL BUS ON FIRE AND DISTRIBUTED MONTONERO LEAFLETS.

MILITARY AND POLICE FORCES HELD A SHOOTOUT IN LA PLATA, AT 134TH AND 139TH STS. KILLED IN THE SHOOTOUT WAS MARIA DEL CARMEN CANAS DE VALIENTE, WAR NAME LA FLACA, AS WELL AS HER MOTHER, MARIA ANGELICA BLANCA. RICARDO VALIENTE, WAR NAME EL GORDO, A PARAGUAYAN, ESCAPED DURING THE SHOOTOUT. SECURITY FORCES CONFISCATED WEAPONS AND ADDITIONAL TAPE RECORDINGS OF THE MONTONERO BROADCAST OF JULY 30 WHICH HAD FOLLOWED THE MONZON-VALDEZ FIGHT.

AUGUST 5: POLICE CARE OF THE LANUS REGIONAL UNIT WAS ATTACKED BY PERSONS IN A PICKUP TRUCK ON THE CAMINO NEGRO ROAD. A POLICE NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICER WAS WOUNDED.

AUGUST 6: AT AVELLANEDA, GREATER BUENOS AIRES, MILITARY

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AND POLICE FORCES WERE INVOLVED IN A SHOOTOUT WITH THE DRIVER OF A PEUGEOT 504. FIVE PERSONS IN THE VEHICLE WERE KILLED. TWO REVOLVERS AND A MACHINEGUN WERE CONFISCATED BY SECURITY FORCES. ON THE SAME DATE, A GROUP OF PERSONS FIRED AT THE HOUSE OF RETD NAVY CAPT. LORENZO M. TETTAMANTI IN LANUS. SUBJECT IS PRESENTLY STATE SUPERVISOR OF THE BANK OF THE PROVINCE OF SANTA FE. AUG. 9: FIRE BOMB WAS SET OFF AT THE RESIDENCE OF FORTUNATO BERGARA, EMPLOYEE OF PROPULSORA SIDERURGICA. AUG. 10: TWO MEN AND A WOMAN SET FIRE TO A BUS OF THE

GENERAL PUEYRREDON CO. IN MAR DEL PLATA. PERSONS
CLAIMED TO BE MONTONEROS.

AUGUST 11: A GROUP OF PERSONS SET FIRE TO A BUS OF
MARPLATENSE CO. IN MAR DEL PLATA. THEY ALSO CLAIMED TO
BE MONTONEROS.

AUG 12: ANTONIO MOYANO CALDERON, A MEMBER OF THE
GENDARMERIA, WAS KIDNAPPED AND LATER SET FREE IN THE
PROVINCE OF BUENOS AIRES. NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
AVAILABLE.

AUG 13: ARMY AND POLICE FORCES CARRIED OUT A JOINT
OPERATION AT 2481 SAN ALBERTO ST., FEDERAL CAPITAL. A
SHOOTOUT ENSURED, ENDING WITH THE DEATH OF EDUARDO G.
GARCIA REPOLLO, WAS NAME "PATAN", A MEMBER OF THE
MONTONEROS.

POLICE IN BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE WERE ENGAGED IN A SHOOT-
OUT WITH 2 MEN AT 3590 NO. 46TH ST, IN SAN MARTIN, BUENOS
AIRES PROVINCE. ONE OF THESE MEN WAS KILLED. THEY WERE
IDENTIFIED AS OSVALDO HORACIO PORTAS AND JUAN CARLOS
TEDESCO. SECURITY FORCES BELIEVE THAT THE ABOVE LOCA-
TION HAD BEEN USED TO PRINT LEAFLETS OF THE WORKERS
POWER GROUP OF ERP-22.

A GROUP OF PERSONS IN A RED TORINO OPENED FIRE ON POLICE
GUARDING THE 9TH POLICE POST AT PUEYRREDON BRIDGE IN
BARRACAS, GREATER BUENOS AIRES. THE ATTACKERS ESCAPED.
NO INJURIES WERE REPORTED.

AUG. 17: MILITARY AND POLICE SECURITY FORCES ENGAGED IN
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AN OPERATION AT RINCON AND PALCIOS STS, BANFIELD, IN
GREATER BUENOS AIRES. DURING THE SHOOTOUT A SUBVERSIVE
IDENTIFIED AS ARNILDO MOYANO, WAR NAME NEGRO RAMON, A
MEMBER OF THE MILITARY SECTION OF THE MONTONERO SOUTHERN

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COLUMN (25) WAS KILLED. MILITARY AND POLICE FORCES CARRIED OUT AN OPERATION ON THE SAME DAY AT 451 FRAY LUIS BELTRAN ST., BANFIELD, BUENOS AIRES. DURING THE SHOOT-OUT ALBERTO CAMPS, A MONTONERO, WAS KILLED. HIS WIFE, MARTHA VARGAS WAS HOSPITALIZED AFTER HAVING TAKEN CYANIDE PILLS IN A SUICIDE ATTEMPT DURING THE INCIDENT. CAMPS WAS A MEMBER OF THE MONTONERO PERONIST ORGANIZATION (O.P.M.) SOUTHERN COLUMN (25), POLITICAL SECTION. HE WAS BELIEVED TO BE REPLACING N.L. LEWINGER WHO ALSO HAD BEEN KILLED BY SECURITY FORCES.

AUG. 18: MEMBERS OF THE 2ND ARMY CORPS IN ROSARIO, SANTA FE PROVINCE, SPOTTED GUILLERMO A. LOPEZ, WAR NAME "CASILDO", A MONTONERO OFFICER RESPONSIBLE FOR HANDLING THE DOCUMENTS OF THE FORMER MONTONERO SECRETARIAT IN ROSARIO. LOPEZ ATTEMPTED TO FLEE AND WAS WOUNDED BY THE SECURITY FORCES. HE WIFE, GRACIELA SUSANA CAPOCETTI, ALIAS MARTA OR CASILDA, ALSO A MONTONERO OFFICER, WAS DETAINED DURING THIS ACTION.

AUG. 20: IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF CUARTEL 2 AT CAMPANA, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE, THE BODY OF 1ST LT. MIGUEL ANGEL ANNARATONA WAS DISCOVERED. HE WAS FOUND BLINDFOLDED AND HIS HANDS TIED BEHIND HIS BACK. NOTE: SUBSEQUENT INFORMATION REFLECTS THAT THE LT. WAS A MEMBER OF THE
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MONTONEROS AND WAS KILLED BY THE SECURITY FORCES. ON THE SAME DATE, POLICE OFFICER FERANDO S. SANABRIA OF THE 24TH POLICE PRECINCT, FEDERAL CAPITAL, WHILE ACCOMPANYING HIS WIFE, WAS STOPPED AT SMITH AND LAMADRID STS. BY 5 ARMED PERSONS WHO ORDERED HIM TO TURN OVER HIS I.D. CARD AND WEAPONS. HE REFUSED, ATTEMPTED TO DEFEND HIMSELF AND WAS SHOT AND KILLED. HIS WIFE WAS WOUNDED THREE TIMES.

AUG 22: A COMMUNIQUE WAS BROADCAST THRU TV CHANNEL 10 IN MAR DEL PLATA IN WHICH THE MONTONERO ARMY PLATOON OF PANCHO ELIZAGARAY STATED THEY HAD KIDNAPPED AND JUDGED CAMILO RICCI, HUGO ARAIS, MANUEL ARESTEIN AND NORBERTO OSCAR CENTENO. NO FURTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON THIS.

AUG 24: SHOTS WERE FIRED AT THE 43RD POLICE STATION, FEDERAL CAPITAL, 3867 AVELLANEDA ST. NO REPORTED INJURIES.

AUG. 28: TWO EXPLOSIVE DEVICES WERE DETONATED IN A

BUILDING AT 1963 MARCELO T. ALVEAR ST., ON THE 2ND AND 3RD FLOORS, FEDERAL CAPITAL. A HIGH RANKING MEMBER OF ENTEL (NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS CO.) LIVES AT THE ADDRESS. LEAFLETS WERE FOUND BEARING THE FOLLOWING INSCRIPTION: "TELEPHONE WORKERS DO NOT GIVE UP, THE NEXT TIME YOU GO INTO THE COFFIN."

3. THE ABOVE INCIDENTS ARE GLEANED FROM REPORTS OF OFFICIAL ARGENTINE SECURITY SERVICES. ALTHOUGH THEY REFLECT A CONTINUATION OF TERRORIST ACTIVITIES, THE GENERAL APPRECIATION OF THE SITUATION IS THAT TERRORIST ACTIVITIES ARE RAPIDLY DIMINISHING. RSO RECENTLY MET WITH A SENIOR MEMBER OF THE ARGENTINE SECURITY SERVICES. SOURCE STATED THAT 4-5 WEEKS AGO, THE ERP WAS ORDERED BY THEIR LEADERSHIP TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY DUE TO THE HEAVY CASUALTIES AND LOSS OF LOGISTIC SUPPORT. THEY PLAN
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TO RETURN TO ARGENTINA AT A LATER DATE IF CONDITIONS BECOME CONDUCIVE. SOURCE STATED THE MONTONEROS HAVE LOST UNITY AND THAT THEIR INFRASTRUCTURES HAVE BEEN SERIOUSLY DAMAGED. THERE IS VERY LITTLE COORDINATION BETWEEN THE VARIOUS PLATOONS AND VERY LITTLE OVERALL DIRECTION OF THEIR ACTIVITIES. THE MONTONERO CADRE IN ARGENTINA IS IN VERY POOR SHAPE. SOME HAVE BEEN SELLING THEIR WEAPONS AND ARE CONTINUALLY CHANGING NAMES AND SEEKING NEW IDENTITIES. THE MAIN CONNECTING LINK BETWEEN THE MONTONERO GROUPS REMAINS THE PUBLICATION "EVITA MONTONERO". THE PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLICATION IS TO ISSUE BROADBASED DIRECTIONS TO THE MONTONERO PLATOONS, GIVE THEM A SENSE OF WHOLENESS AND TO CREATE THE IMPRESSION THAT THEY ARE STILL A VIABLE FORCE. INSPITE OF THESE EFFORTS THERE ARE FREQUENT DEFECTIONS. SOURCE STATED BY NEXT YEAR THE MILITANT SUBVERSION WILL BE ELIMINATED UNLESS ECONOMIC CONDITIONS DETERIORATE TO THE POINT THAT THE TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS ARE ONCE MORE ABLE TO RECRUITE NEW CADRE. NOTE: REPORTS OF TERRORIST ACTIVITIES, WILL BE SUBMITTED MONTHLY, UNLESS THEY ARE OF UNUSUAL AND IMMEDIATE SIGNIFICANCE.
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